THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Since Bhayander, Mira and Uttan (the correct name) are themselves municipal areas, the postal employees working there are not eligible for grant of House Rent Allowance at Bombay City rates in terms of the extant orders of the Ministry of Finance. They are also not eligible for grant of City Compensatory Allowance.

(c) Does not arise in view of reply given at (b) above.

[*Translation*]

Expenditure Incurred on Power Houses

619. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN:
SHRI SRIKANTA JENA:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise total expenditure incurred by the Government on the operation and transmission and distribution of losses of Power House during the last three years; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government in this regard in Bihar and Orissa for the last three years; and

(c) the details of the work done in each year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Steps to Check Corruption and Embezzlement in N.D.M.C.

620. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases detected by the Government regarding corruption and embazzlement in New Delhi Municipal Committee during the last three years;

(b) the total number of officers and employees found guilty in these cases; and

(c) the efforts being made by the Government to check corruption prevailing in New Delhi Municipal Committee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Programmes Relating Bihar Performed by Directorate of Regional Publicity

621. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the programmes relating to Bihar targetted to be performed by the Directorate of Regional Publicity during the last three years; and

(b) to what extent the targets have been achieved?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b). The programmes of Directorate of Field Publicity are not generally targetted to any state but awareness about themes such as National Integration, Communal Harmony, Family Welfare, Adult Education etc., are sought to be inculcated among the people through the means of Film Shows, Live Programmes, Photo Exhibitions etc. A statement showing the programmes presented in Bihar during last three years is attached.